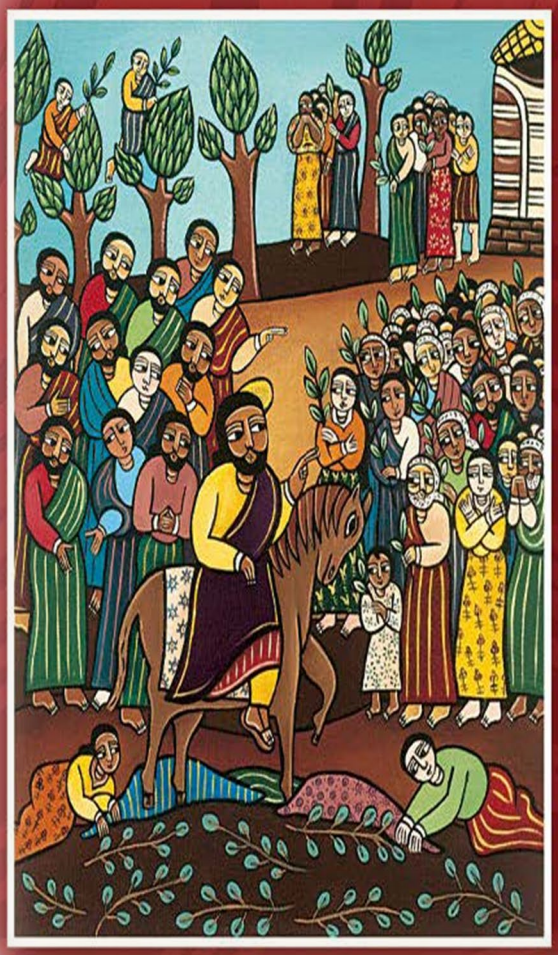


Blessed is the king
who comes in
the name of the Lord!

LUKE 19:38

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Ypsilanti, MI
April 13, 2025 – Palm Sunday

Worship Key
P: Pastor
A: Assisting Ministers
C: Congregation

This morning our service begins in the Gathering Area, from which we will process into the Sanctuary.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: On this day, Jesus marched
C: in between the city walls and the Temple,
in between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,
in between oppressive poverty and greedy power,
in between rampant fear and hope unfurled.
P: On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been and what could be.
C: So may we meet Christ in that liminal space.
May we lay down our coats in that messy middle.
P: Hosanna in the highest!
C: Hosanna in the highest!

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

28 After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.
29 When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the
Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30 saying, "Go into the village ahead
of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been
ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31 If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?'
just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' " 32 So those who were sent departed and found it
as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why
are you untying the colt?" 34 They said, "The Lord needs it." 35 Then they brought it

to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. [36] As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. [37] Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, [38] saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

[39] Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." [40] He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

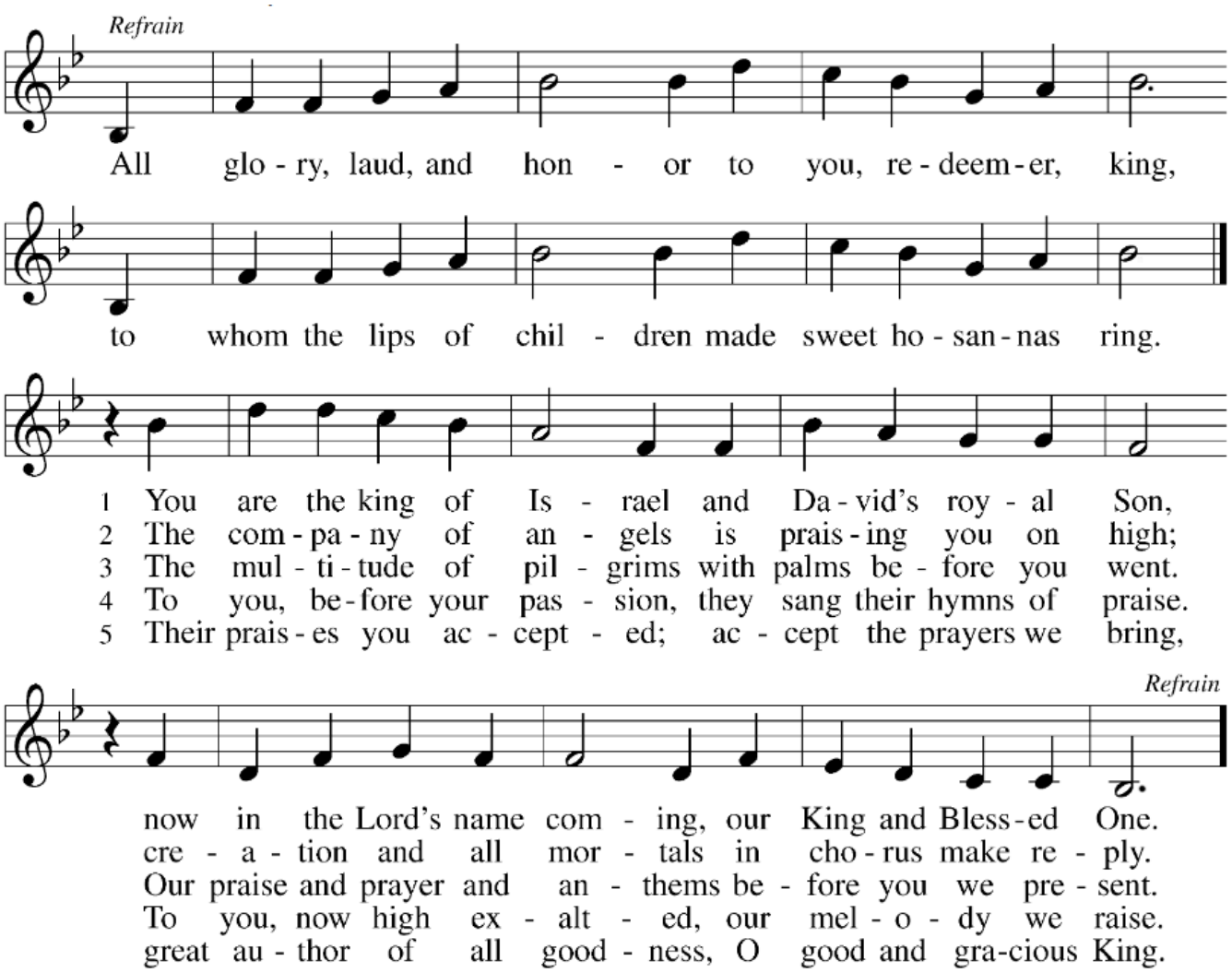
BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.
We praise you, O God,
For redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ.
Today he entered the holy city in triumph
And was proclaimed messiah and king
By those who spread garments and branches along his way.
Bless these branches and those who carry them.
Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross,
So that, joined to his death and resurrection,
We enter into life with you;
Through the same Jesus Christ,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

P: Let us go forth in peace,
C: in the name of Christ. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"*

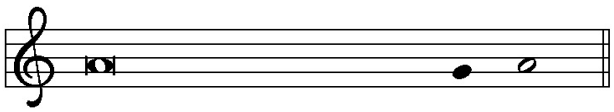

Refrain
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.
1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high;
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went.
4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,
Refrain
now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra-cious King.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE



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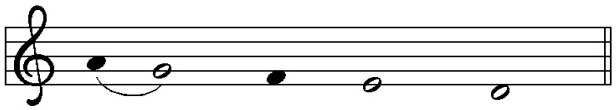
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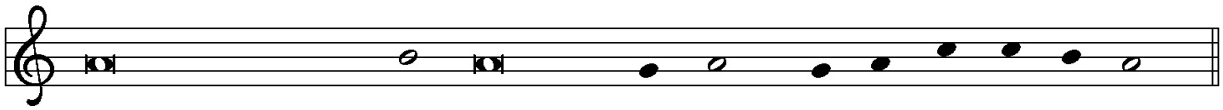
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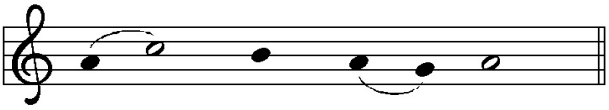
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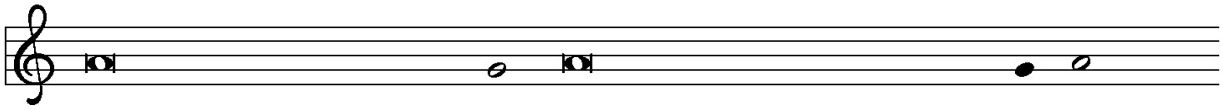
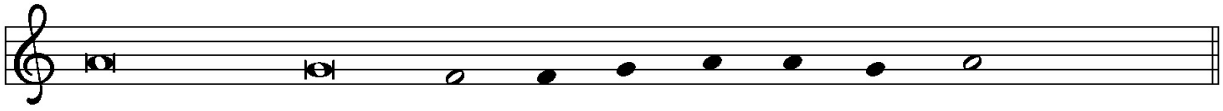
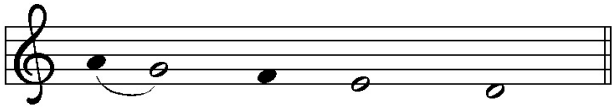

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

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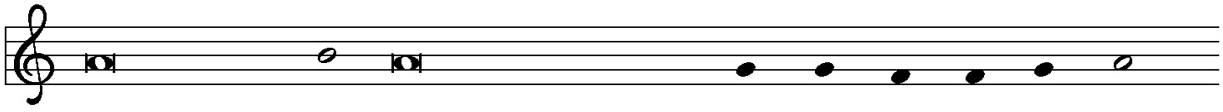
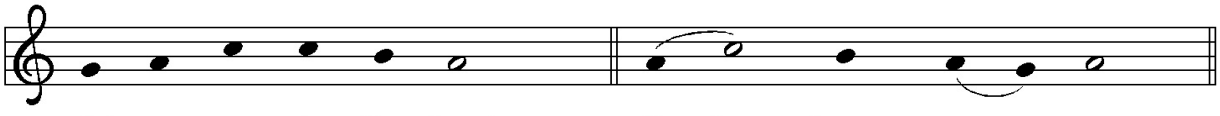
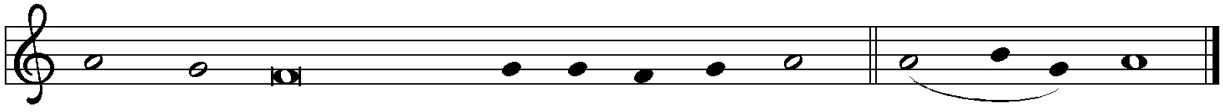


For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

C: Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

This text, the third of the four Servant Songs in Isaiah, speaks of the servant's obedience amid persecution. Though the servant has been variously understood as the prophet himself or a remnant of faithful Israel, Christians have often recognized the figure of Christ in these poems.

A: A reading from Isaiah.

4 The Lord GOD has given me a trained tongue,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens, wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious;
I did not turn backward.
6 I gave my back to those who struck me
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.
7 The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
8 he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me?
Let us stand in court together.
Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.
9a It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

A: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

Into your hands, O LORD, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)

P: [9] Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
C: [10] For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
P: [11] I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.
C: [12] Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot.
P: [13] For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
C: [14] But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.
I have said, "You are my God.
P: [15] My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
C: [16] Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love."

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all.

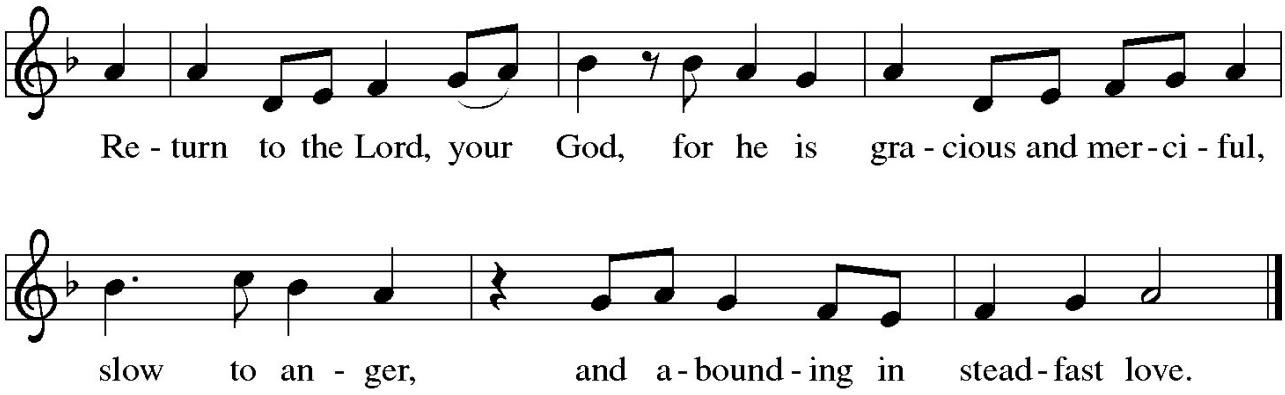
A: A reading from Philippians.

[5] Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
[6] who, though he existed in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped,
[7] but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness.
And being found in appearance as a human,
[8] he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
[9] Therefore God exalted him even more highly
and gave him the name that is above every other name,
[10] so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
[11] and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

A: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL: Luke 22:14 – 23:56

Through the teachings and events of the passion story we see and hear the great contradictions that characterize the coming of God's reign. The leader serves the followers, proud Peter is revealed in his cowardice, and Jesus–the innocent bringer of life–is arrested, beaten, executed, and buried.

P: The Gospel according to Luke.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

14 When the hour came, [Jesus] took his place at the table, and the apostles with
him. 15 He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before
I suffer, 16 for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of
God." 17 Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide
it among yourselves, 18 for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit
of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." 19 Then he took a loaf of bread, and
when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my
body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 20 And he did the
same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the
new covenant in my blood. 21 But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his
hand is on the table. 22 For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but
woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" 23 Then they began to ask one another
which one of them it could be who would do this.

24 A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded
as the greatest. 25 But he said to them, "The kings of the gentiles lord it over them,
and those in authority over them are called benefactors. 26 But not so with you;
rather, the greatest among you must become like the youngest and the leader like
one who serves. 27 For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who
serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

[28] "You are those who have stood by me in my trials, [29] and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, [30] so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

[31] "Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, [32] but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail, and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." [33] And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!" [34] Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day until you have denied three times that you know me."

[35] He said to them, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "No, not a thing." [36] He said to them, "But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. [37] For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless,' and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled." [38] They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He replied, "It is enough."

[39] He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. [40] When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial." [41] Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, [42] "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me, yet not my will but yours be done." [43] [[Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. [44] In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.]] [45] When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, [46] and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

[47] While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him, [48] but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" [49] When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" [50] Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. [51] But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. [52] Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as though I were a rebel? [53] When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour and the power of darkness!"

54 Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's
house. But Peter was following at a distance. 55 When they had kindled a fire in the
middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. 56 Then a
female servant, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also
was with him." 57 But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." 58 A little
later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said,
"Man, I am not!" 59 Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely
this man also was with him, for he is a Galilean." 60 But Peter said, "Man, I do not
know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the
cock crowed. 61 The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the
word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will
deny me three times." 62 And he went out and wept bitterly.

63 Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat
him; 64 they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophesy! Who is it who
struck you?" 65 They kept heaping many other insults on him.

66 When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests
and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. 67 They said,
"If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not
believe, 68 and if I question you, you will not answer. 69 But from now on the Son of
Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." 70 All of them asked,
"Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." 71 Then
they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from
his own lips!"

23:1 Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. 2 They
began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man inciting our nation, forbidding
us to pay taxes to Caesar and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." 3 Then
Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so."
4 Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an
accusation against this man." 5 But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the
people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this
place."

6 When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. 7 And when
he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who
was himself in Jerusalem at that time. 8 When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad,
for he had been wanting to see him for a long time because he had heard about
him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. 9 He questioned him at some

length, but Jesus gave him no answer. [10] The chief priests and the scribes stood by vehemently accusing him. [11] Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him and sent him back to Pilate. [12] That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

[13] Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people [14] and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people, and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. [15] Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. [16] I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

[18] Then they all shouted out together, **"Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!"** [19] (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city and for murder.) [20] Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again, [21] but they kept shouting, **"Crucify, crucify him!"** [22] A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." [23] But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified, and their voices prevailed. [24] So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. [25] He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

[26] As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. [27] A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. [28] But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. [29] For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' [30] Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' [31] For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

[32] Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. [33] When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [34] [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. [35] And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of

God, his chosen one!" [36] The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine [37] and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" [38] There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

[39] One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" [40] But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? [41] And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." [42] Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." [43] He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

[44] It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, [45] while the sun's light failed, and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. [46] Then Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. [47] When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." [48] And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. [49] But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance watching these things.

[50] Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph who, though a member of the council, [51] had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. [52] This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. [53] Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. [54] It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. [55] The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. [56] Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments.

On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME — Rev. Joshua Rinas

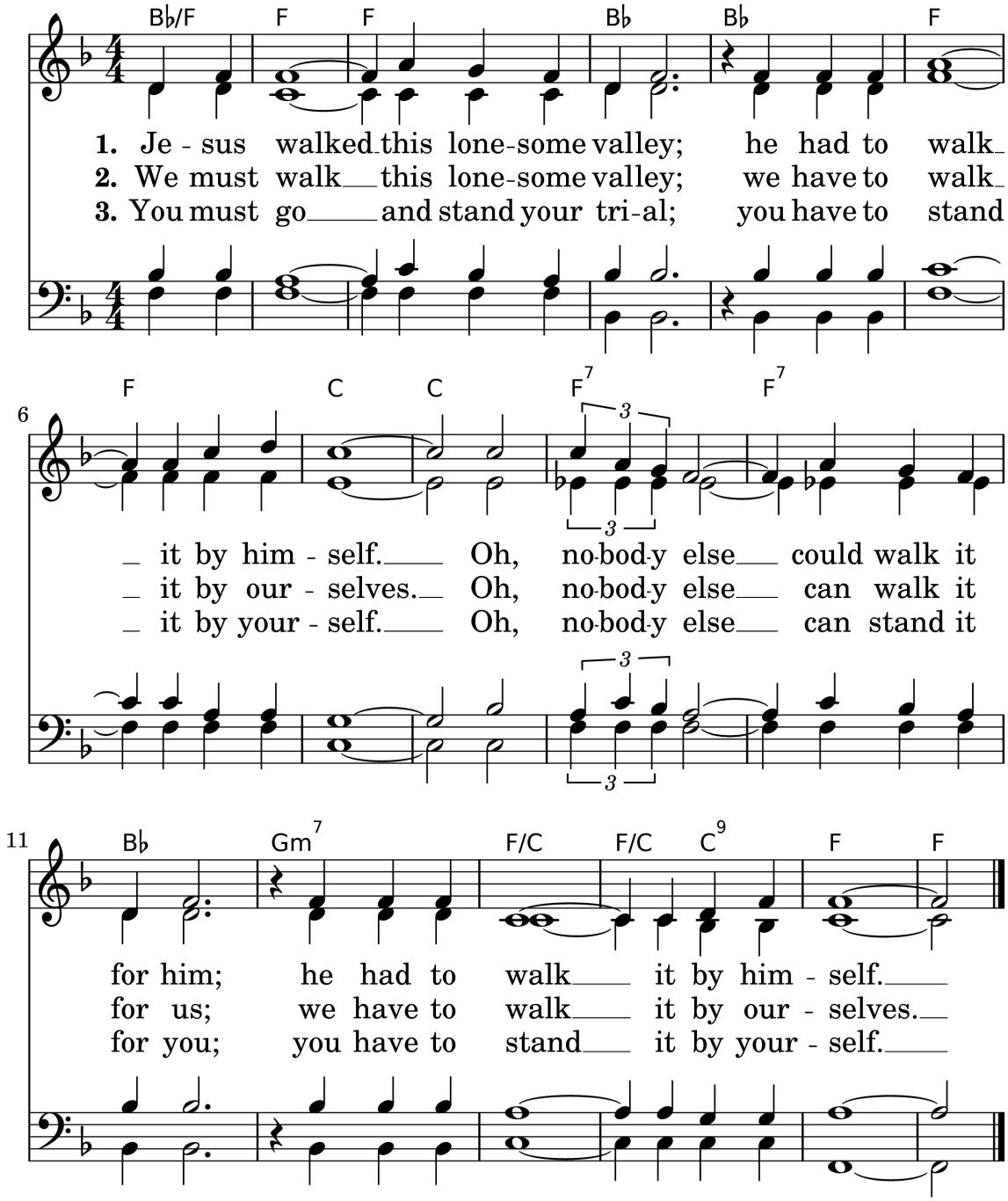
A special message for children.

SERMON — Rev. Joshua Rinas

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley"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1. Je - sus walked this lone-some valley; he had to walk
2. We must walk this lone-some valley; we have to walk
3. You must go and stand your tri-al; you have to stand
6
F C C F7 F7
it by him - self. Oh, no-bod-y else could walk it
it by our - selves. Oh, no-bod-y else can walk it
it by your - self. Oh, no-bod-y else can stand it
11
B♭ Gm7 F/C F/C C9 F F
for him; he had to walk it by him - self.
for us; we have to walk it by our - selves.
for you; you have to stand it by your - self.

Congregation: Unison

The Faith We Sing 2112
WORDS: American folk hymn
MUSIC (LONESOME VALLEY 88.10 8): American folk hymn

NICENE CREED

A: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

A: Guide your church this Holy Week as we follow in the servant way of Jesus. Protect those who face hostility or oppression for their faith. Humble those who would use faith to dominate others and reinforce their own power. God, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Make your creation a living witness to Christ's passion and resurrection: in waving palms, shouting stones, fragrant vineyards, murmuring wheat, and revealing fire. Make us attentive to your holy presence in the world, that we may care for the earth you love. God, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Let your face shine upon the leaders of nations and let the same mind be in them as was in Christ Jesus, so that those with the most power may humble themselves to serve the most vulnerable. God, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Sustain the weary with a word. Grant perseverance to political prisoners and to any who are exploited, unjustly accused, or wrongly convicted. Abide with all who are in jails, detention centers, or prisons. Console all who experience times of trial or suffering especially John, Mary, Vicki, Corky, Lynn, Ruth, Judy, Steve, Marilynn, Barb, Linda, the friends and family of Sybil. God, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Give strength to those who will lead worship during Holy Week: pastors and deacons, altar guilds and sacristans, musicians and assisting ministers, ushers, and office staff. Instill in them awe and joy, that their service may reflect the love of Jesus. God, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

A: For what else does this congregation pray? Prayers may be said aloud, typed into the live chat box, or silently in your hearts…

Brief Pause for the congregation to respond.

A: We give thanks to you for our beloved dead, trusting that as the cross of Jesus led to the empty tomb, so you welcome those who have died into the paradise of your presence. God, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

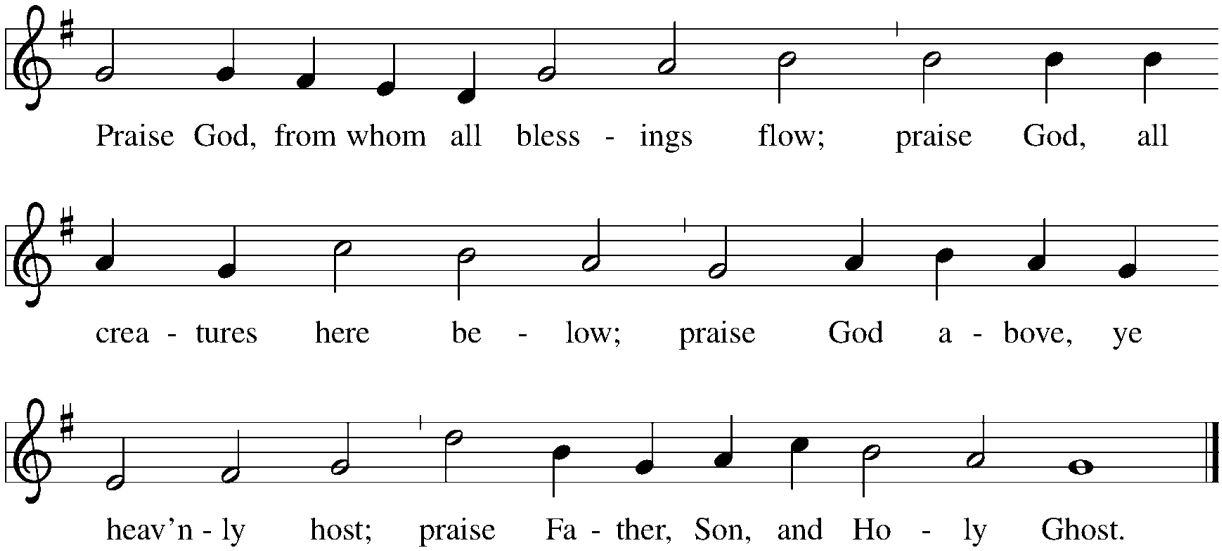
C: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN – *"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*


Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

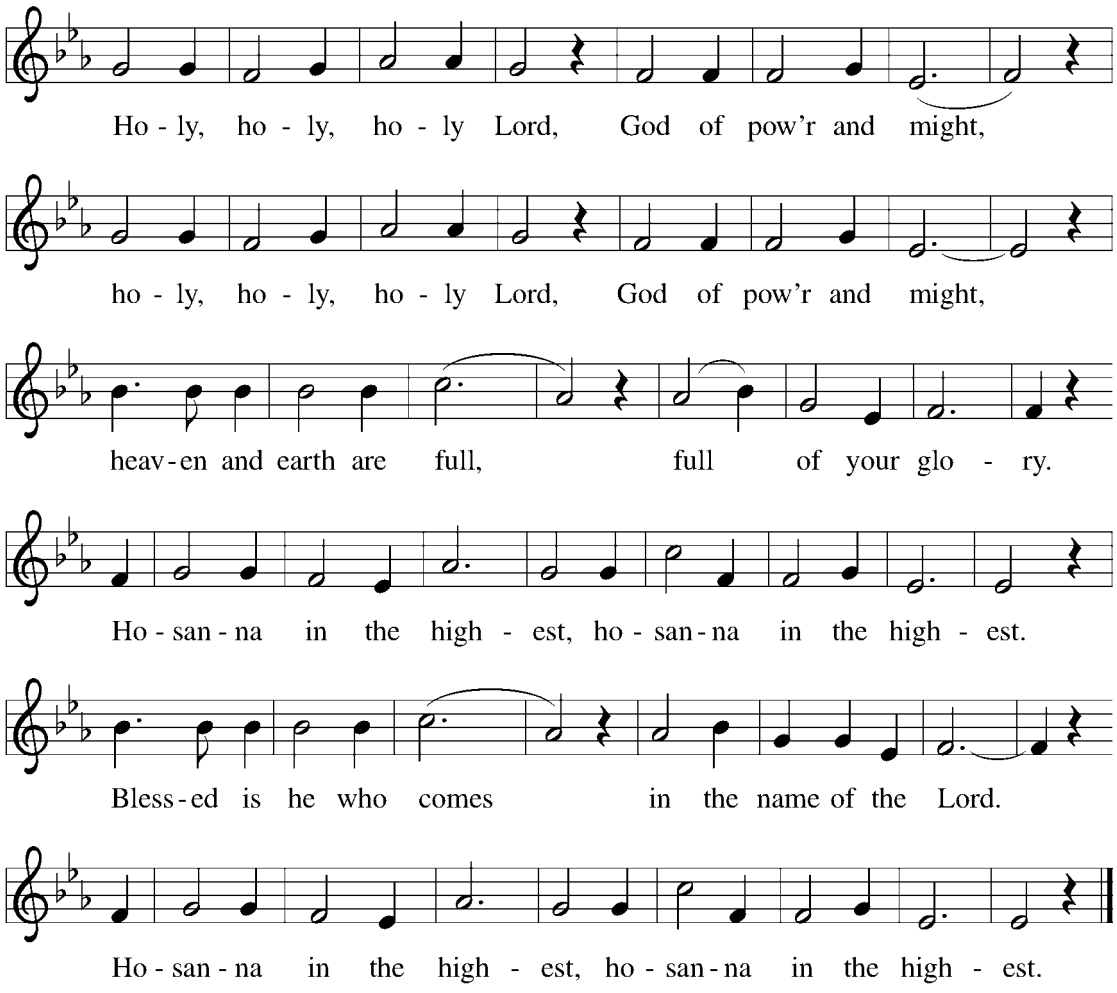
A: Gracious Provider,
you set your immense treasures among us,
opening your heart to the world.
As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love,
deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others,
through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert, 1797–1828; adapt. Richard Proulx, b. 1937
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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.

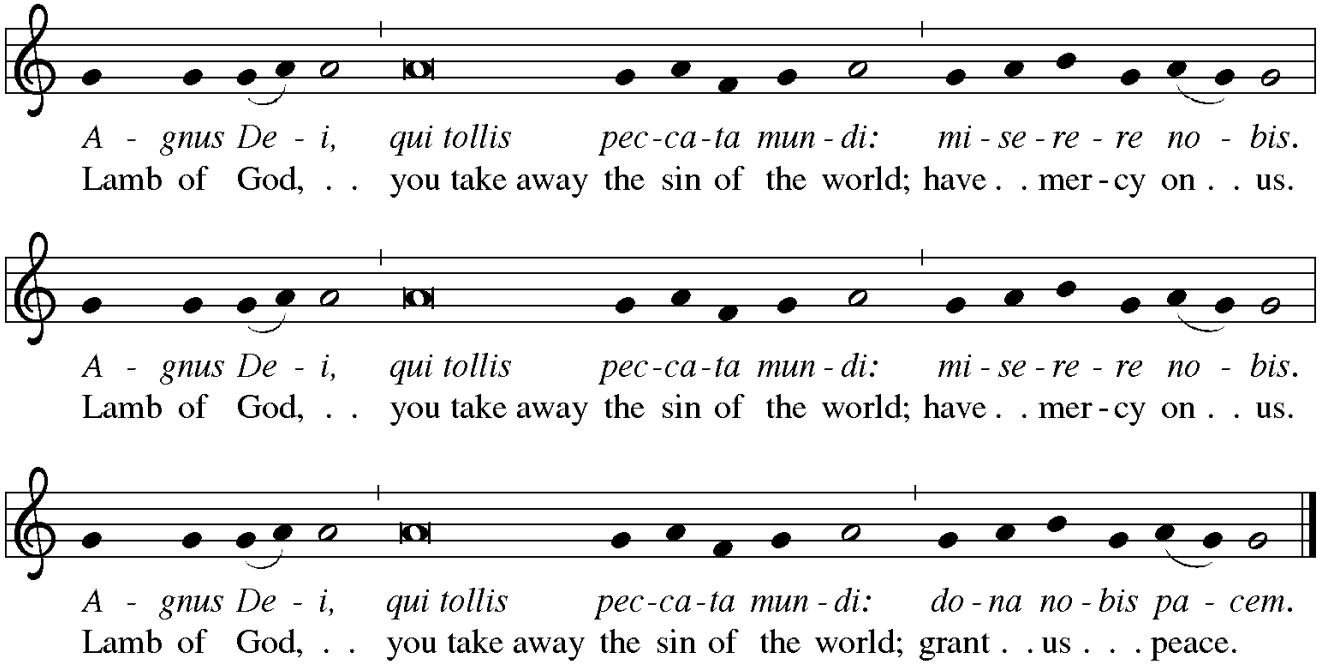
P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

LAMB OF GOD


A - gnus De - i, qui tollis pec-ca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no - bis.
Lamb of God, . . you take away the sin of the world; have . . mer-cy on . . us.
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Lamb of God, . . you take away the sin of the world; have . . mer-cy on . . us.
A - gnus De - i, qui tollis pec-ca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa - cem.
Lamb of God, . . you take away the sin of the world; grant . . us . . . peace.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

"All Glory Laud and Honor"

Emmanuel Handbell Choir

by Larry Sue

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life.
C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.
C: Generous Host,
you have shared your feast with us and made us new.
Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,
that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom,
in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

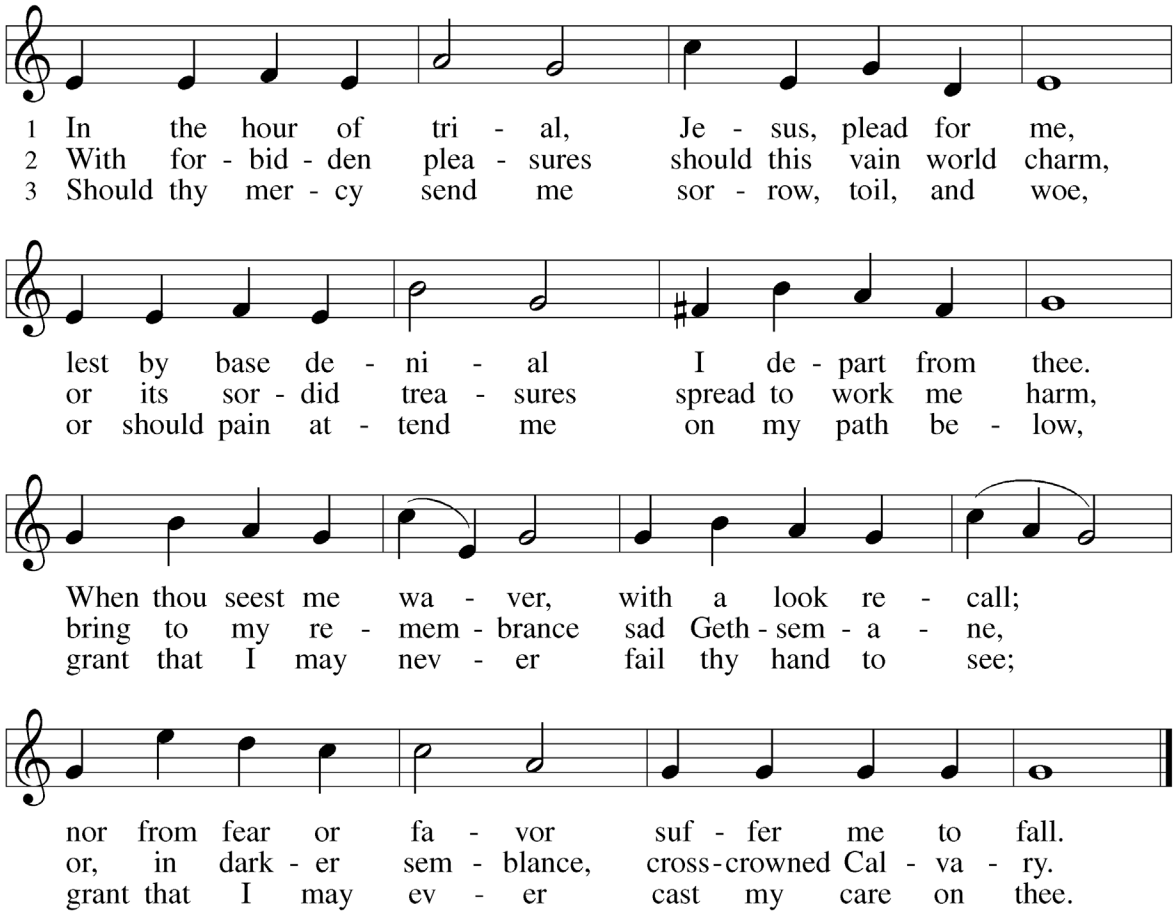
SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P: God our tender parent,
God the crucified one,
God the reconciling Spirit,
✝ bless you now and forever.
C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN LBW 106

"In the Hour of Trial"

1 In the hour of tri - al, Je - sus, plead for me,
2 With for - bid - den plea - sures should this vain world charm,
3 Should thy mer - cy send me sor - row, toil, and woe,
lest by base de - ni - al I de - part from thee.
or its sor - did trea - sures spread to work me harm,
or should pain at - tend me on my path be - low,
When thou seest me wa - ver, with a look re - call;
bring to my re - mem - brance sad Geth - sem - a - ne,
grant that I may nev - er fail thy hand to see;
nor from fear or fa - vor suf - fer me to fall.
or, in dark - er sem - blance, cross-crowned Cal - va - ry.
grant that I may ev - er cast my care on thee.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854
Music: PENITENCE, Spencer Lane, 1843–1903

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.
C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! If this is your first time with us, please add your name and information to our Guest book located in the Narthex (Lobby), we would love to connect with you.
*Hearing assistance devices and cushions are available in the back pew. Please help yourself!
*Children's bulletins available, please see an usher.
*Printed copies of the Newsletter are in the magazine holder in the Narthex.
**Christ in Our Home* devotionals (April - June) can be found in the Narthex.
*Hand Sanitizers can be found in the Narthex and hanging at the end of the pews.

Please remember to wear your Name Tag
It's a help for visitors and folks you may not have seen for a while. If you need a new Name tag, please let Jennifer know.

Thank you all!
Thank you to all who brought in items to be sent to the Dominican Republic with Paul! Over 700 toothbrushes, over 400 tubes of toothpaste and a huge bag of floss, and picks were donated! A Thrivent Action Grant helped support this project! Thank you!

Do you have Musical talent you'd like to share?
If you have a musical talent and would like to share your talents in our Holy week services, please contact David or Jamie. We'd love to have you be part of our special services!

Holy Week Services
Palm Sunday (4/13) 10:00am service

Maundy Thursday (4/17) this will be a combined service with St. Luke's Episcopal, First Presbyterian, United Methodist, and Emmanuel Lutheran. It will begin with an Agape Meal at 6:00pm at St. Luke's Episcopal with a service to follow at 7:00pm

Good Friday (4/18) 7:00pm service; **Easter Vigil (4/19)** 7:00pm service; **Easter Sunday (4/20)** 10:00am service

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2025 Altar Flower Sign-up
The 2025 Altar flower sign-up has been put up on the bulletin board outside the office. **Please sign-up for your date and turn in the form and monies in the offering plate or office mailbox.** Thank you!

The Stations of the Cross
You're welcome to journey through the stations of the cross over this Lenten season. Starting in the Narthex and continuing into the Sanctuary on the left side, the fourteen stations travel with Jesus through the passion story. Informational pamphlets are located on the table in the narthex.

Let's Go Out to Eat!
The Membership Committee would like to invite to a meal and conversation on Tuesday, April 15th at 5pm at Aubree's in Depot Town – located at 39 E. Cross St. Ypsilanti, MI. This is simply a social event meant for people to get to know each other better. If you have a friend who you'd like to bring who isn't a member at Emmanuel, they're more than welcome!

"Mulch" Help Needed
Saturday April 19th (day before Easter) from 9am to noon (if needed). Rain Date will be the following Saturday. We need some help with yard cleanup and spreading mulch. The Scouts will be there to help us. We also have some other yard cleanup needed. Bring your rakes, wheel barrels, and garden tools. Question: ask Della Diehr dmdiehr@gmail.com 734-740-6029.

From Membership Committee
We would like to do an updated directory for our Emmanuel Families. There will be papers in the Narthex for you to fill out with any changes to your family information for the directory. Just fill out the paper and put it in the mailbox on the Church office door. Thank you!

Ways to Give: Giving can be done online by clicking here. Or mail checks to: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 201 N. River St., Ypsilanti, MI 48198.
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This Week at Emmanuel

Sunday, April 13 – Palm Sunday

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- Chancel Choir 9:30am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- Coffee Hour 11:00am – 12:00pm
- Bethel Service 12:00pm
- Scouts 6:00pm

Tuesday, April 15

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 10:30am
- Refresh Committee 11:30am – 1:00pm
- Food Gatherers delivery

Wednesday, April 16

- Clothes Closet 9:00am – 10:30am
- Quilting 11:00am – 1:00pm
- Food Pantry 3:00pm – 5:00pm
- AA Meeting 8:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursday, April 17 – Maundy Thursday

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 9:30am
- **Agape Meal @St. Luke's 6:00pm**
- **Maundy Thursday Service @St. Luke's 7:00pm**
- YCC 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Friday, April 18 - Good Friday

- NA Meeting 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- **Good Friday Service 7:00pm**

Saturday, April 19 - Easter Vigil

- Landscape clean-up and Mulch spreading 9:00am – Noon
- Washtenaw Refugee Welcome 10:00am – 12:00pm
- **Easter Vigil Service 7:00pm**

Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- Chancel Choir 9:30am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- Coffee Hour 11:00am – 12:00pm
- Bethel Service 12:00pm

The flowers on the altar today are given for the Glory of God and in memory of my twin sister's birthday.
Given by Lew Shock

For those with young children: Emmanuel's "Pray-Ground," located at the front of the church, was established as a positive, welcoming experience for children in church. Many churches have begun using this feature, which gives small children a space to squirm, quietly play with soft toys, books, and do arts and crafts. Parents may want to sit nearby to accompany children, but don't worry about noise—worship leaders have microphones! We encourage everyone with little ones to give this a try.

Prayers requested for: John, Mary, Vicki, Corky, Lynn, Ruth, Judy, Steve, Marilynn, Barb, Linda, the friends and family of Sybil.

Assisting Ministers Needed!
Sign up on the sheet outside the office or call the office; Or through sign-up genius. Assisting Ministers - Click here or Scan QR code

Links:
Livestream Worship - https://www.youtube.com/@emmanuelypsi
Giving Online - Online donation
Clothes Closet - ClothesCloset@emmanuelypsi.org
Food Pantry - FoodPantry@emmanuelypsi.org

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Minister of Worship Music..... David Meitzler
Minister of Choral Conducting..... Jamie Gallupe
Assisting Minister..... Monica Doerr

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